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of Cyclic Esters and/or Diesters

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the first office action, please amend the instant application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the attached amended paragraphs of pages 1, 5, and 10 for the corresponding paragraphs on file.

Please add the attached Abstract of the Disclosure to the specification.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1 through 15 of the literal translation are cancelled.

Please add the attached new claims 16-38 to the specification.